

Public Notice: Request For Comments



Proposed Federal Implementation Plan for Clean Air Act requirements to Control Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Oil and Gas Production Sources on the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation

Public notice issued:

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Written comments due:

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For further information, contact:

TBD Designated, U.S. EPA Region 8

What is being proposed?

EPA proposes to promulgate an interim final Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) for Clean Air Act (CAA) requirements on the Uintah & Ouray Indian Reservation (UOIR).

The EPA's intention is to promulgate Federal regulations that reflect an important initial step to fill the "regulatory gap" for controlling Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions from oil and gas production operations on the UOIR.

The EPA does not intend, nor does it expect, this gap-filling regulation to impose significantly different regulatory burdens upon the industry or the residents than those imposed by the rules of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for operations in the surrounding areas.

This rule is intended to formally "level the playing field." In other words, the EPA intends that the residents receive equivalent air quality protections as those outside the UOIR while the industry is regulated in a similar fashion as the UDEQ requirements that apply to those operating outside the UOIR.

Federal Implementation Plan Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation

**U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
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How can I review documents?

You can review the draft CAA Title V Operating Permit, the application, Statement of Basis and all supporting material at:

Uintah County Clerk's Office
147 East Main Street, Suite 2300
Vernal, Utah 84078
Phone: 435-781-5361

Ute Indian Tribe
Energy and Minerals Office
Air Quality
988 South 7500 East
P.O. Box 70
Fort Duchesne, Utah 84026
Phone: 435-725-4950

U.S. EPA Region 8
Air Program Office (8P-AR)
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Phone: 303-312-6440

All documents will be available for review at the U.S. EPA Region 8 office Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (excluding Federal holidays).

Electronic copies of the proposed and interim final FIP & all supporting materials may also be viewed, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R08-OAR-2015-0709, RIN 2008-AA02, R08-SAN-5872 at: <http://www2.epa.gov/region8/air->

What are EPA's responsibilities?

The US EPA Region 8 Air Program is the regulatory agency that helps protect and preserve air quality on the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation. One way EPA does this is by developing rules for certain activities. The purpose of this notice is to invite you to submit written comments on this proposed rule through the process detailed in this Notice.

What happens next?

EPA will review and consider all comments received at the public hearing and during the comment period.

Following this review, EPA intends to issue the interim final FIP as a final rule.

Public Hearing:

The EPA will host public hearings to accept oral and written comments on this proposed rule.

**TBD Month day, 20yr
from**

**1 - 4 pm & 6 - 8 pm
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Hollow)
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Where can I send written comments?

EPA accepts comments by mail, fax and e-mail.

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